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the undersigned hereby sell(s) and assign(s) to
EBARA CORPORATION
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(hereinafter designated as the Assignee) the entire right, title and interest for the United States as defined in 35 USC 100, in the invention known as
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The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with this application and any continuing, divisional or reissue applications thereof and also to execute separate assignments in connection with such applications as the Assignee may deem necessary or expedient.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with any interference which may be declared concerning this application or continuation, division or reissue thereof and to cooperate with the Assignee in every way possible in obtaining evidence and going forward with such interference.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers and documents and perform any act which may be necessary in connection with claims or provisions of the International Convention for Protection of Industrial Property or similar agreements.

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Witness <u>Juichi Akai</u> **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT** This \_\_\_\_\_\_, day of \_\_\_\_\_, before me personally came the above-named\_\_\_\_\_\_ to me personally known as the individual(s) who executed the foregoing assignment, who did acknowledge to me that he (they) executed the same of his (their) own free will for the purposes therein set forth. Official Signature SEAL Official Title The above application may be more particularly identified as follows: U.S. Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_\_Filing Date \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant Reference Number \_\_\_\_\_ Atty Docket No.\_\_\_\_\_ Title of Invention \_\_\_\_\_

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